



The Green Bin

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Welcome to Summer!

It has been 9 months since we first rolled out the new automated collection program and single stream recycling program and it's going very well! We have seen a reduction of almost 4,000T of trash as compared to when we had manual collections. That's a reduction of 23%. And recycling increased by 300 tons. Keep up the great work!

NEW! Styrofoam Recycling Pilot



Starting September 1st, the Recycling Depot at the Rumford Ave Resource Recovery Center will accept clean white Styrofoam for recycling for a trial recycling program! Packing pieces, trays, coffee cups, all types of white Styrofoam! Please make sure containers are empty before putting into the designated collection containers at the Recycling Depot. Our vendor, CRT Recycling, will recycle it into new Styrofoam!

Yard Waste Collections continue weekly on your collection day through December 6th, weather pending. Please place in paper yard waste bags or barrel labeled with "YARD WASTE ONLY" labels and put to the curb prior to 7am on your collection day. (Stickers available at City Hall Customer Service Center) Plastic bags are NOT accepted. [Click here](#) for more details.



Interested in composting at home? The City sells low-cost bins and provides how-to tips, [click here](#) for more information!



Household Hazardous Waste Drop-offs are held each Wednesday from 7:30am-12:15pm and will continue until October 13th at the Rumford Ave Recycling Depot. Collections are for Newton Residents ONLY and limited to 1 car trunk load (no more than 5 gallons of a single items and no more than 12 gallons total) There will also be drop-offs on 2 additional Saturdays: September 25 and October 16. For a listing of accepted materials, how to manage hazardous waste, alternative products and how to transport materials safely, [click here](#).



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Program Updates...

Bulky Items If you have oversized items that do not fit into your blue trash cart and they cannot be donated or reused, you can receive a free curbside pick up, limit is five (5) items per week. Please call DPW Customer Service by 3:30pm the business day BEFORE your collection day.

Appliance and Electronics Pick Up Please contact DPW Customer Service to schedule a free pick up. Or, you can bring appliances to the Recycling Depot. Computers, TVs and electronics MUST be collected curbside.



Helpful Links:

[Automated Program Questions](#)

[Single Stream Recycling Guidelines](#)

[The Recycling Depot at Rumford Ave](#)

[Recyclopedia—A-Z guide](#)

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